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S. 184

To amend section 401(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding the Federal Pell Grant maximum amount.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 16, 2003

Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. DAYTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FEDERAL PELL GRANT MAXIMUM AMOUNT.**

4 Section 401(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of
5 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(2)) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
7 paragraph (C);

8 (2) by amending subparagraph (A) to read as
9 follows:

1 “(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the
 2 amount of the Federal Pell Grant for a student eligible
 3 under this part shall be—

4 “(i) \$6,700 for academic year 2004–2005;

5 “(ii) \$7,600 for academic year 2005–2006;

6 “(iii) \$8,600 for academic year 2006–2007;

7 “(iv) \$9,600 for academic year 2007–2008;

8 “(v) \$10,600 for academic year 2008–2009;

9 and

10 “(vi) \$11,600 for academic year 2009–2010,

11 less an amount equal to the amount determined to be the
 12 expected family contribution with respect to that student
 13 for that year.”; and

14 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (A) (as so
 15 amended) the following:

16 “(B) If the Secretary determines that the increase
 17 from one academic year to the next in the amount of the
 18 maximum Federal Pell Grant authorized under subpara-
 19 graph (A) does not increase students’ purchasing power
 20 (relative to the cost of attendance at an institution of high-
 21 er education) by at least 5 percentage points, then the
 22 amount of the maximum Federal Pell Grant authorized
 23 under subparagraph (A) for the academic year for which

- 1 the determination is made shall be increased by an amount
- 2 sufficient to achieve such a 5 percentage point increase.”.

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